

We are committed to unite the St. Clare Family so that we may live, love, worship and celebrate Eucharist together around one table, in one church, as one Body of Christ.

Members Present: Fr. Dennis Bergsbaken, Russ Aerts, Caroline Green, Julie Rohan, Rick Roundy, Karla Voss, Sr. Celine Goessl

Members met at the Greenleaf Parish Center at 4:00 p.m.

After prayer, the minutes from the April 25th meeting were reviewed.

- ✚ Concern was raised regarding the wording of the minutes with regard to the pros and cons of the neighboring churches that were visited. The committee toured other sites to determine what features would be best for St. Clare Parish, not to criticize what other parishes have done. It was decided that the pros and cons would be left out of the minutes, but would be made "available upon request."
- ✚ There was also concern regarding the heading "Recommendations From the Exploratory Committee." The 10 points listed were the opinions of each of the ten members present, not formal recommendations from the committee as a whole. The heading will be changed to "Preliminary Discussion Points From the Exploratory Committee."
- ✚ Preliminary Discussion Point #1 should be worded, "Cost of renovation is a massive expense and consistency and flow cannot be maintained when renovating." Point #2 should be worded, "We don't have enough acreage to include a future school site, parking needs, and outdoor meditation gardens."

Additional discussion points include:

- ✚ Final direction should not ignore finances. The Diocese requires that a certain percentage be raised before beginning the project. The committee needs to visit with Cindi Brawner regarding fundraising options.
- ✚ The committee needs to create a "transition plan."

For presentation to the parish, the Exploratory committee needs:

1. A financial plan.
2. Presentation points w/background information.
3. Final product of the committee.

<u>Plan A</u>	<u>Plan B</u>
\$	\$
Resources	Resources
Reasons	Reasons

In the scenarios presented, we need to show what we looked at and the criteria for accepting or dismissing ideas.

At the next meeting, we need to:

1. create an agenda for Town Hall Meetings,
2. decide the scenarios to be presented,
3. determine what process will be used.

Sr. Celine presented information regarding "churches," which concluded with the following paragraph:
"Churches are more than meeting rooms in which various activities must be accommodated. They are also symbols of the presence of Christ in the world and a beacon of hope. By their design, they can announce to everyone that the living Body of Christ gathers there to remember and celebrate, as One Family in Christ, the marvelous works of God among us."

Sr. Celine also provided information about:

- ✠ The altar - we reflected on the significance of the table in our homes and the importance of eating together,
- ✠ The significance of the Ambo - to be reserved only for reading and preaching (not to be used for the greeting and announcements),
- ✠ The symbolism of the Baptistry - walk in one side and walk out the other side as a new person.
- ✠ The Eucharistic Chapel - should be designed as a more intimate space to meditate upon the Lord's presence. It would be good to have outside access to the chapel.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 5 at 4:00 at the Greenleaf Parish Center. We will ask Mark Mogilka, from the Diocese, to attend to help with the process.

Tentatively, the following meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 12 at 4:00 at the Greenleaf Parish Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie Rohan, Temporary Secretary